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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAGR

SUBJECT: JORDAN PROHIBITS EXPORT FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

1. ON FEBRUARY 10, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS PRINTED FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT: DR. FAHED AL-AZAB, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ISSUED A DECISION YESTERDAY BANNING THE EXPORT OF ALL KINDS OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AS OF NOON FEBRUARY 10. EXEMPTED FOR THIS PROHIBITION IS THE PRODUCE FROM GAZA.

THE DECISION RULED INVALID ALL EXPORT LICENSES AS OF NOON FEBRUARY 10.

2. COMMENT: THIS DECISION IS DIRECT RESULT FORCE MAJEUR IMPOSED BY JORDAN ARAB ARMY TROOPS IN
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BORDER AREA WHO, ON FEB 9, REFUSED TO PERMIT

THE EXIT FROM JORDAN OF ANY VEHICLE CARRYING
PRODUCE. TROOPS REPORTEDLY ORDERED DRIVERS RE-
TURN AMMAN AND MAKE FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AVAIL-
ABLE IN LOCAL MARKETS. THEREFORE, GOJ ACTION IS
PROBABLY FACE SAVING DEVICE PROVIDE LEGITIMACY
OF POLICY ALREADY IN FORCE. GOJ'S POSITON FURTHER
COMPLICATED BY FACT ENTIRE COUNTRY AWARE ARMY
HAD ALREADY ACTED. THIS ACTION IS DIRECT RESULT
ZARQA TROUBLES AND IS ATTEMPT ON PART ARMY FORCE
DOWN PRICES.

IT INTERESTING NOTE THAT SUGAR AND RICE WHICH
HAVE ALLEGEDLY BEEN IN SUCH SHORT SUPPLY HAVE
SUDDENLY APPEARED ON MARKET IN QUANTITY.

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